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Prague, Febr. 20.

THE Emperor intends to go and pass some time, after *Easter*, at one of his houses of Pleasure, and will take but few Attendants with him. The 13th Instant the Council of State and that of War was assembled, after which Orders were sent to the Governor of *Silesia* to draw several Companies out of each Regiment now in that Province, and to cause them to march this way; and at the same time Orders were sent to the Troops in *Moravia* and *Stiria*, That they should put themselves in a readiness to march, upon the first directions they should receive for that purpose.

Dantzick, Feb. 21. From *Warsaw* we have an account, That the Council of War, which had been assembled there in order to the taking a resolution concerning the intended War with the Turks, was separated without coming to any, they looking upon it as a matter of so great importance as that it ought to be left to the Dyet to resolve therein, which does not meet till *May*, by which it appears that the Poles are not very forward to engage themselves in a War against the Turks, which the Moscovites perceiving, it is probable they will endeavour to make a Peace for themselves.

Hamburg, Febr. 27. The present Duke of *Hanouer* takes into his Service most of the Troops of his Brother Deceased, as well as those which the Duke of *Zell* has Disbanded. The Duke of *Holstein* is going to Fortifie *Kiel* and *Fredrickstadt*, the one scituate on the *Baltique*, and the other on the *Northern* Sea. It continues to be said, That *Stade* will be surrendred to the Swedes on the first of the next month.

Ratisbonne, Febr. 16. The Emperor having, by several Letters and Memorials, acquainted the States assembled here, That the French have in many particulars contravened the late Peace concluded at *Nimiguen*, viz. by

I. *Continuing their Troops in the Empire.*

II. *Remaining possessed of places they ought to evacuate.*

III. *Requiring of Contributions.*

IV. *Obliging the* 10 *Towns of* Alsace *to take a new Oath, thereby pretending a Soveraignty over them, erecting a new Court of Appeals, and forbidding any Address to be made to the Imperial Chamber at* Spire.

V. *Requiring an Oath from the Vassals and Nobles of* Alsace.

VI. *Setting up Pretentions upon the Vassals of* Metz, Toul, *and* Verdun, *as likewise upon other Imperial States and Countries.*

VII. *Confiscating the Rents and Revenues of the Chapter of* Strasburg.

VIII. *Making new Fortifications at* Schlestadt *and* Hunningen.

IX. *Not restoring of* Monpelgard.

X. *The Slighting of* Dacksburg.

XI. *The taking of* Homburg *and* Bitsch,

XII. *And making new Pretentions upon the City of* Strasburg.

The Dyet, after long deliberation, came the 10th Instant to this resolution thereupon. *That these proceedings of the French are directly contrary to the Treaties of* Westphalia *and* Nimeguen; *That therefore the Emperor shall be prayed by Letter or by Embassie in the name of himself and the Empire, to demand of the Most Christian King Reparation for the same, and that in the mean time the French Ministers residing at the Imperial Court, and here, shall be made acquainted with this resolution of the Dyet; and that it shall be represented to them, for what concerns the two first points, That the same are directly contrary to the 27th Article of the Treaty at* Nimeguen, *and the first, second, and fourth Articles of the Instrument afterwards Signed by the Ambassadors for the executing the said Treaty, which have been religiously observed by the Emperor: That the third point is contrary to the 30th Article of the said Treaty, and the 8th Article of the said Instrument: That for what concerns the 4th Point, it is known that the third Article of the Treaty of* Munster *says, That the County of the upper and lower* Alsace, *and the Lordship of* Haguenaw, *shall be yeilded to* France, *with an express exception of the ten Imperial Towns, and their Rights and Priveledges, and that the French King should pretend no superiority over them; and that in pursuance of the Agreement made at* Nurenburg 1650. Haguenaw, Landaw, *and other of the said ten Towns were actually evacuated by the French without pretending then, and several years afterwards to any Soveranity over the said Towns, or requiring any Oath of Fidelity from them: That afterwards in* 1665. *complaints were made to the Dyet, of the French setting up new pretentions, whereupon Arbitrators were chosen on the part of the Empire and of* France, *amicably to determine the same, who were several years employed in that work, which was put to an end by the French possessing themselves of the said Towns, even before the War: That the Treaty of* Nimeguen *confirms that of* Westphalia, *and consequently that the said Towns ought to be restored to the Rights and Priviledges which that Stipulated for them: That for the* 5th *and* 6th *points they likewise directly contravene the said Treaties: That as to the* 7th *they expect farther information in it: For the* 8th *That they cannot imagine what Right the French have to Fortifie* Slechstadt, *considering what is abovesaid of those free Towns: For the* 9th *and* 10th, *the French have acted notoriously contrary to the* Westphalian *and* Nimeguen *Treaties. For the* 11th, *That* Homburg *belongs to the Count of* Nassaw, *as appears by the Treaty of* Osnabrug: *That concerning* Bitsch *they expect farther information: And lastly, That they hope the King will not prejudice the City of* Strasburg *in its Rights or Priviledges, and particularly in that of Fortifying* Kiel, *so necessary for its security.*

Hague, Feb. 5. All the Provinces having now sent their resolutions to the States General, concerning the *French* Alliance, it was expected they would this